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### Intimations.

### LOST.

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### NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION have, as from the Ninth Day of FEBRUARY, 1904, taken over the businesses of the EASTERN BRANCHES of the GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK, being the businesses CARRIED ON by the latter Company in Hongkong, Shanghai and Manila, and that, as from the said Ninth Day of FEBRUARY, 1904, The International Banking Corporation will be responsible for and will duly meet and liquidate all the outstanding obligations of the Eastern Branches of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York, including the branch business heretofore carried on in Hongkong.

For the International Banking Corporation.  
CHAS. R. SCOTT,  
Manager.

For the Guaranty Trust Company of New York.  
E. F. GROS,  
Manager.

Hongkong, February 8, 1904. 270

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 10% or \$1.50 per Share, declared at the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders held this day, will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after MONDAY, the 8th February, 1904.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for Warrants.

T. ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 6, 1904. 258

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N. INUZUKA, Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, April 28, 1903.

## Intimations.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.  
AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS called for Tuesday, the 9th February, is hereby POSTPONED until FRIDAY, the 12th FEBRUARY, at 5 p.m. in the CRICKET PAVILION.

The following Resolutions will be proposed:

1. That a New Pavilion be erected forthwith in the North-West Corner of the Cricket Ground at a total cost not exceeding \$30,000.

2. That the plans of Messrs DENISON, RAM & GIBBS be accepted.

3. That the Tender of KING TAK CHEONG be accepted.

4. That the sum required be raised by the issue of 8 per cent Debentures of the face value of \$50 each, repayable in 10 yearly drawings commencing on 31st October, 1900.

5. That Rule 16 be amended by substituting \$15 for \$10.

By Order,

A. G. WARD,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 5, 1904. 248

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, SATURDAY, the 20th day of FEBRUARY, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1903.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
(Sd.) J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 29, 1904. 204

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER of SHARES of this Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the Sixth, to the 20th day of February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
(Sd.) J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, January 29, 1904. 206

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held in the OFFICES of the COMPANY, Queen's Buildings, New Plya, on MONDAY, the 22nd FEBRUARY, 1904, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
THOS. I. ROSE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 1, 1904. 209

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company, will be held at the Offices of the Company, Pedder's Street, on SATURDAY, the 5th day of MARCH, 1904, at 12 o'clock (Noon), to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th inst. to the 10th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,

GEO. L. TOMLIN,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 10, 1904. 280

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 10th March, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts to the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th inst. to the 10th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,

GEO. L. TOMLIN,  
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Hongkong, February 10, 1904. 280

ZETLAND HOUSE, No. 10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

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Hongkong, January 14, 1903. 96

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Hongkong, February 10, 1904. 266

For full Particulars, do, &c.,

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W. STUART HARRISON,  
A.M. Inst. C.E.

Manager.

Hongkong, April 2, 1903. 141

## Intimations.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1904.

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY (OFF-DAY). 23rd, 24th, 26th and 27th FEBRUARY.

TICKETS of ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE may be obtained from Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Ltd., or at the Gate. Price, \$7 for the Meeting (excluding the Off-Day), or \$3 per day.

Tickets for the Off-day, \$2.

No one admitted without a Ticket to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

T. F. HOUGH,  
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, February 5, 1904. 268

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

TELE STEWARDS request the presence

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during the Races on the 2nd, 24th, 26th and 27th instant.

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All Tickets must be produced to gain admission.

T. F. HOUGH,  
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, February 8, 1904. 267

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

Catalogues will be issued.

On view from Thursday, the 11th February.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 6, 1904. 269

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

on

FRIDAY,

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

## SAILOR'S BATTLE WITH GREEKS.

## Fierce Encounter with Harbour Pirates.

A petty officer named William Daniels belonging to H.M.S. "Intrepid" recently had an exciting struggle for his life in Corfu Harbour.

He had been ashore on leave, and at night had got into a boat manned by two Greeks to return to his ship. Soon after the boat was pushed off, the men suddenly dropped their oars and began to rob him. They were both armed with long knives, which they threatened to bury in his body if he attempted resistance.

So far while Daniels kept quiet, waiting for his chance. It came when the men had got all his money, and were for a moment intent on their plunder.

Daniels then sprang up, knocked one man over, and grappled with the other. He clutched at the Greek's knife, but was only able to catch hold of the blade, which, though it cut deep into his fingers, he gripped firmly. In a few moments, however, the other man had regained his feet, and joined in the affray.

A desperate struggle ensued, during which Daniels miraculously escaped the murderous thrusts of the pirates. Eventually they held him head downwards and tried to dash his brains out, but he adroitly contrived to receive the blows on his back and shoulders. Thinking he was either dead or dying, the men at last cast him out of the boat.

But this did not end the encounter. His assailants did not reckon upon Daniel's stamina, and were greatly surprised to see him swimming.

Hastening to finish their work and fearful of the consequences of his escape, they pulled after him and had almost reached him when he allowed himself to sink, the boat passed over him, and he came up astern. This necessitated the boat being turned round, and he gained a few seconds' respite.

Several times he repeated these tactics, the men meanwhile straining every nerve to overtake him. Once, by lying on his back and paddling with his feet he managed to elude them for a few minutes, but again they came hotly in pursuit.

In the end, after some hard swimming, he found himself in the midst of a number of boats which were rounding a point, and promptly swung himself on board one of them, and was taken ashore.—*Mail Paper*.

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Rambler	river gunboat	900	10	240	Capt. D. St. A. Wake	Macau
Ranaldi	river gunboat	850	6	240	Lieut.-Com. John P. Irvin	Macau
Robin	river gunboat	850	6	240	Comdr. T. Jackson	Macau
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Auction.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of a number of Valuable Law Books at Mr Geo. Lammett's Sales Rooms.

Meeting.

5 p.m.—Meeting of Members of Hong Kong Cricket Club at Pavilion.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Sardine* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Bengal* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Goods per *Borneo* not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, February 13.—

9.30 a.m.—Military Gun Practice.

9 p.m.—A. D. C. Performance at the City Hall.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Gentlemen's Suit Lengths and Coating, &c., at Mr V. I. Remedios' Sales Rooms.

MONDAY, February 15.—

Goods per *Andalusia* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, February 16.—

Exchange Banks Close.

Goods per *Bamboo* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, February 18.—

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FRIDAY, February 19.—

9 a.m.—Military Gun Practice.



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### MARRIAGE.

THOMAS-LOXLEY.—On Thursday, 31st December, 1903, at All Souls, Langham Place, W., by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Southwark, assisted by the Rev. W. Carew Hunt, vicar of St. Giles, Reading, ARTHUR FRANCIS, second son of the late George Nun Thomas, of Landford, Wilts, and of Mrs. Thomas, of Landford, to DORIS GEORGE (Daisy), eldest daughter of William Richard Loxley and Mrs. Loxley, Sedgehill, Reading, late of Hongkong.

### TELEGRAMS.

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### THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

JAPAN TO BLAME FOR WAR.

LONDON, February 10.

An official statement has been published in St. Petersburg, describing the course of the negotiations between Japan and Russia.

The whole of the responsibility for the war is thrown upon Japan.

### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

#### Notes by the Way.

The amateurs are rehearsing the "Yeoman of the Guard" at Tientsin.

The interview with Mr Vickers which we reproduced yesterday was taken from the *Times of Ceylon*.

The Turkish cruiser *Zaaf*, Commander Abdul Effendi, is expected shortly in Colombo from Bombay.

The population of Korea at the end of December was officially estimated at 3,255,588 males and 2,636,007 females, a total of 5,891,685.

A waltzing competition at Paris has been won by a Marseilles couple, who danced through 161 waltzes, for 62 hours, without even a momentary rest.

In the *Government Gazette Extraordinary* Mr J. H. Kemp is appointed a Magistrate, presumably to sit with the two existing Magistrates to hear the charge against Freeman and P. Taylor, that of abetting a deserter to escape.

#### Street Index.

The second quarterly supplement of Mr Arthur Chapman's Street Index has been issued. Several recent changes have been noted in the publication.

#### Hockey.

After a fast and interesting game the 11th Mahrattas defeated the 93rd Burmese by five goals to three. For the winners Lieut. Heath played a splendid game, scoring three out of the five goals.

#### Union Church Literary Club.

This evening, at 9 o'clock, the Rev. C. H. Hickling will deliver a lecture on "How I found the Midnight Sun and left it." The lecture, to which the general public are invited, will be fully illustrated with lantern views.

#### Criminal Sessions.

At the Supreme Court this morning, the Chief Justice remarked that the Criminal Sessions would be held on February 19, instead of February 18. He had seen it stated in one of the papers that the Sessions would commence on February 22, but he did not know from whom they got the information.

#### H.M.S. "Archer" at Singapore.

H.M.S. "Archer," a third-class cruiser, has arrived at Singapore from Australia. Her destination under ordinary circumstances is Portsmouth (says the *Pinang Gazette*); but she was ordered to prolong her stay in Ceylon waters, and there is every possibility that the cruiser may have been despatched to Hongkong by this.

#### Russian Black Sea Squadron.

The Russian Black Sea Squadron comprises the *Thesme*, 10,180 tons; the *Ekaterina II*, 10,100 tons; *Sinop*, 10,180 tons; *Dvendat Apollon*, 8,872 tons; *Kniaz Potemkin Tavrichesky*, 12,480 tons; *Gheorgi Polibionovets*, 10,800 tons; *Tri Svetitelia*, 12,480 tons; *Rostislav*, 8,880 tons, or a total of 83,560 tons. There are also several destroyers.

#### Chinese New Year Holidays.

The Post Office will be entirely closed on Tuesday, the 10th inst. (Chinese New Year's Day). On Wednesday, the 17th inst., the Office will be open from 7 to 11.30 a.m. to dispatch the outgoing German Mail only. Correspondence posted up to 9 a.m. only will be sent out for delivery on that day. The Money Order Office will be closed on both days.

#### A Man Killed.

While a number of coolies were engaged in discharging cargo from the S.S. *Kennedy*, at Kennedy Town on Tuesday, a sling containing several cases of oil struck the hatch. The force of the impact loosened the cases and they fell into the lower hold, about twenty-five feet below. Two coolies were injured, one subsequently dying on the following morning. The other man was injured slightly.

#### Nine Epidemics.

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men; they looked more like recruits than trained soldiers. There was an immense difference between the officers and the men. The officers are smart-looking and soldier-like. Of course, it was bitterly cold at the time, and the men were muffled up and possibly looked less business-like in their overcoats and heavy clothing.

There were no Japanese ships about, but in Dalny there were plenty of Japanese men and women—in evidence, I went through Corea in December, and was told that there were upwards of 70,000 Japanese soldiers there in one guise or another.

They were usually spoken of as farmers and farm labourers, but I may judge by one Japanese gentleman I met on board the steamer in my way to Fusan and Seoul, there is no lack of officers among them.

The gentleman was more like a European in appearance. He spoke a little English, was cultured, intellectual, and well informed.

He told me he had obtained a farming concession near Seoul, but I should not be astonished to learn that he was an officer of considerable standing.

The Japanese were everywhere in evidence—in fact, one would have been excused for supposing that Corea was already a part of Japan. The head of the Korean Customs for the three Eastern ports is a Mr. Wakefield, an Englishman, but all his subordinates appeared to me to be Japanese. Japanese soldiers watched the construction of the railway from Fusan to Seoul. Japanese crowded the streets and wherever at all the port, and Japanese policemen, in the dress now familiar to the tourist in Japan, straddled the streets, with their small swords by their sides, with the white gloves white plumes and the inevitable little notebook and large pencil.

Before crossing over to Corea, I spent several weeks in Japan, and I mention a small matter which may have some interest at the present time. That was the unconvincing way in which Baron Rosen, the Russian Minister, used to knock about at a time when war was all the talk in Tokio. In the Club there, the Ministers of the other Powers might be seen either in small groups together or surrounded by their own compatriots eagerly discussing the prospects of war, whereas, each evening about five o'clock, Baron von Rosen would drop into the Club with the Siamese Minister and two little Japanese friends and play "snooker" at so much a ball as if there were no weightier matter in the world than the game they were engaged upon. Out of deference to the Siamese Minister, the conversation of the quartette was carried on in English!

This forenoon, three torpedo-boats destroyed went. It is stated that they have gone round to Mirs Bay for the customary trials. It is also stated that the *Albion*, *Centurion* and *Leviathan*, previously reported to be at Amoy, return to Hongkong on the 20th inst.

The Great Northern Telegraph Co. issued the following notification this morning:—

"The Russian Telegraph Administration notifies that private telegrams cannot be accepted for or via Port Arthur."

To add to the difficulties of having direct news from the north, the Foochow cable is interrupted, and, this forenoon, Mr J. M. Clark, Superintendent of the Eastern Extension, Australasia and China Telegraph Co., sent round the following notice:—

"The Great Hongkong-Foochow Cable has been interrupted this morning, as also the cable between Foochow and Formosa. Owing to the former interruption, all telegrams handed to us for Foochow, Shanghai and the North are being handed over to the Great Northern Telegraph Company for transmission."

The General Post Office advises us that until further notice the transmission of correspondence via Dalny and the Trans-Siberian Railway is discontinued.

### JAPAN'S NEW CRUISERS.

#### Fatality on Board.—Part of Crew Dismissed.

Alahabad, January 29.—The *Pioneer's* correspondent at Colombo, under date 28th January, wired: An accident occurred this morning on board the Japanese cruiser *Kiso*, when an Irishman named O'Connor was killed. Through a defect in the morning blocks his brains were dashed out; his arms and legs being broken, and his chest smashed. The *Kiso* leaves to-night. The *Nishio* left this morning. Both cruisers are badly damaged. They have gone round to Mirs Bay for the customary trials.

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## THE BALTIMORE FIRE.

## EXTENSIVE DAMAGE.

## ENORMOUS LOSSES.

London, February 10.

The fire which has been raging at Baltimore has been controlled. The fire covered an area of 140 acres, the whole of which was devastated. The damage done to property was enormous and is estimated at £40,000,000.

## MR CHAMBERLAIN'S TRIP.

## OFF TO THE NILE.

London, February 10.

It is officially announced that the Right Hon. J. Chamberlain has left England for a visit to Egypt. Mr Chamberlain proposes to make a trip up the Nile.

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## THE FISCAL POLICY AND THE GOVERNMENT.

London, February 9.

The Duke of Devonshire, speaking at a Fiscal Meeting at Guildhall, said that whatever differences there may be on the Fiscal Policy, all would unite in not embarrassing the Government in its anxious task of safeguarding the interests of the Empire in the Far East.

## GREAT BRITAIN, RUSSIA AND TIBET.

A Russian memorandum, dated 2nd February, 1903, threatened steps to protect Russian interests in consequence of the British action in Tibet. Lord Lansdowne, in reply on the 18th February, 1903, informed Count Benckendorff, the Russian Ambassador in London, that if there was any display of Russian activity, Great Britain would be obliged to reply by a display of activity exceeding that of Russia. Some weeks later Count Benckendorff submitted a statement of Russian views, declaring that any disturbance of the status quo in Tibet would compel Russia to safeguard her interests elsewhere in Asia. Lord Lansdowne replied that Great Britain insisted on fulfilling her treaty obligations. Later, when the Mission advanced, Count Benckendorff made further earnest representations, to which Lord Lansdowne replied: "It was strange beyond measure that these protests should be made by a Power which all over the world never hesitated to encroach on its neighbours." If the Russian Government had a right to complain of Great Britain advancing in Tibet, what kind of language would Great Britain not be entitled to use concerning Russian encroachments in Manchuria, Turkestan and Persia?

## RUSSIA AND JAPAN.—OUT-BREAK OF HOSTILITIES.

London, February 9.

Admiral Alexieff telegraphs that Japanese torpedo-boats attacked a squadron of Russian ships in the outer roads of Port Arthur at midnight on the 8th instant. The battleships *Rivoli* and *Tzarevitch* and the cruiser *Pallada* were damaged.

## THE TURF.

## Yesterday's Times.

Good work was done by most of the ponies yesterday on the track. Sylph Rose covered the mile in 2:13, and Rocket ran 1 miles in 2:48. There was a fair attendance of spectators.

Daybreak covered half-a-mile in 1:03½, the first quarter being run in 32 secs.

Disclosure was a second slower; the quarters being 33½, 1:04.

Turbo ran a mile, the last three-quarters being timed at 34, 1:08, 1:44.

Pandur galloped a mile in 2:14, the quarters being covered in 33, 1:07, 1:42, 2:14.

Northern Rose was 2½ seconds slower; the quarters being 35, 1:10, 1:44, 2:16.

Discord was 1½ slower than Northern Rose; full times being 36, 1:10, 2:06, 2:18, 4:05.

Liberator and Eclipse went together over the mile, the former winning in 2:16, 1:10, 1:44, 2:18, 2:18, 2:15.

Sylph Rose put up fast time for the mile, viz., 2:13; the quarters being 35, 1:07, 1:42, 2:13.

Chintangue's time for the mile were 34, 1:08, 1:42, 2:14.

Rocket made fine running over 1½ miles, the quarters being timed at 33, 1:06, 1:40, 2:15, 2:48.

Final was 2½ of a second slower, the time being 37, 1:09, 1:43, 2:15, 2:48, 2:5.

Talbot covered the same distance in 35, the quarters being run in 35, 1:09, 1:43, 2:18, 2:52.

Robert King's times for 1½ miles were 34, 1:07, 1:41, 2:06, 2:14, 2:48, 2:5.

Algerine's times were 38, 1:13, 1:47, 2:20, 2:53.

Vancouver, Sp., 1:13, 1:47, 3:21, 2:03, and 2:53.

Rose Rose's, 38, 1:12, 2:05, 1:48, 4:05, 2:21, 2:53.

This and 1½ miles in 3:37, the quarters being 41, 1:04, 1:56, 2:32, 3:05, 3:37.

1½ French Rose covered 1½ miles, the last mile and a half taking 3:28, 3:05. The quarters were timed as 37, 1:15, 1:48, 2:20, 2:47, 3:05, 3:35.

## BEFORE THE WAR.

The Temper of the Japanese People.  
(From Our Own Correspondent.)

TOKIO, January 30.

It would have been declared impossible, three months ago, for the Japanese people to support the strain to which they have been subjected during all this time, yet we find them to-day displaying the same restraint that was commanded then, and still there is no positive sign that the suspense is to be ended speedily, either one way or the other. Certainly the indications are more for war than ever. The delay on the part of Russia is manifestly not in the interests of peace, and whether the expressions of her important officials, that delay must be secured in some way in order to perfect her forces, be true or not, it is evident that some such motive is influencing Russia. The answer to Japan's last note is not expected for several days, but it is perfectly clear that the Japanese Government does not count positively upon its being of a satisfactory nature, and we have every reason to expect a declaration of war as the answer to that note, when it comes.

There is unmistakable evidence that the Japanese people are drawing a sharply defined line between sympathizers and non-sympathizers, and on the side of the former they are placing Great Britain and the United States, while on the side of the latter they are putting both Germany and France. That the sympathy of the former with the Japanese at this time has been appreciated in the best possible manner, and it is to be noted that the slight appearance of indifference that has characterized the attitude of Germany has caused a most remarkable revulsion of feeling. For several years, Anglo-Saxon influence had been decided on the wane; German philosophy, German literature, German medical practice, German military prowess, seemed likely to drive out everything else; but now one of the leading newspapers goes as far in the opposite direction as to call Germany *Ki-ji-doro*. This, literally translated, means "A Fire Robber," that is one who prowls around the scene of a conflagration to seize whatever he can lay his hands on; as applied now to Germany, it is intended to convey the idea of one who seeks advantage for himself in the misfortunes of others.

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There is a certain class of people who are very fond of seeing their own little opinions in print. Such people have existed since the days when the Cains-builders laid (literally) the foundation of literature, and when Gabriel blows his trumpet, there will certainly be some of them ready to criticize his musical attainments! These people are especially conspicuous for the authoritative manner in which they speak of things about which they know but little, often nothing at all. Every one of these writers who lately has not expressed himself about Japan in terms of flattery that are simply nauseating to the other extreme and equally displayed his ignorance by assuring us that the Japanese are suffering acutely from "swelled-head," are overflowing with contempt, are insufferably bumptious, and that the one certain and most desirable result of a war with Russia is to be their discomfiture and richly-merited humiliation.

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The Dredger Canton River has again been employed excavating the foreshore in front of Kowloon Pier to provide berths for ships under repair, and is now under charter to Messrs Butterfield & Swire for work at Canton.

**Directors**—Messrs G. H. Methurst and C. Michelau having left the Colony, Messrs E. S. Wheeler and A. Haupt have been invited by the Directors to the vacant seats at the Board. Mr E. W. Tidser has been invited to join the Board. These appointments require to be confirmed by the Shareholders at this meeting.

In accordance with clauses 78 and 85 of the Articles of Association, Messrs D. E. Brown and A. Haupt retire by rotation, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Sir Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G., has been re-appointed Chairman for the year 1904.

**Advertisers**—The accounts have been audited by Messrs Thomas Arnold and H. U. Jeffries. The Directors recommend Messrs Arnold and Jeffries for re-election.

O. P. CHATER, Chairman.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1904.

movement was made, she was in a position to have relieved the legations and to have prevented practically all of the subsequent trouble. Japan knew then—as all the world now admits was the fact—that she was in a most peculiarly delicate position, and that had she taken the initiative with disastrous results, it would have been difficult for her to justify herself to the world. When the time came for her to act with the other nations, there has never been anyone to say that she did not do her part thoroughly and modestly, and the unfeigned praise that was bestowed upon her troops, collectively and individually, might well have turned the heads of people to whom such conditions were new. It is untrue, and indeed it is untrueful, to say that none of the Japanese soldiers or people were puffed up at that time; but the fact that they remained they had been co-operating with the greatest nations of the world in a manner that made for civilization in its highest form and on terms of full equality, seemed to have a good effect.

At the present time it cannot be necessary to point out to those who are willing to bestow honour where honour is due, that there is really none of the absurd boastfulness which some flippant writers have attributed to Japan. The self-glorying of some young men is simply the natural exuberance of youth; the confidence of success in a war with Russia that is heard from the lips of many people, and is seen in newspapers, is just the same kind of patriotism that is praised in other lands. Foreigners had no good reason to complain of anything in the treatment accorded them during the trying four months, that have been so big with evaporating uncertainty for the Japanese. An occasional overzealous policeman or an intemperate official may have permitted his ardor to carry him beyond the line of discretion in his efforts to thwart what he conceived to be the deadly machination of "Russian spies," but even this annoyance has not been serious, and has always been reprimanded when it came near being offensive. As a matter of fact, the marvellous patience of the Japanese has received no greater praise than it was justly entitled to, while their civility to foreigners has not been commended as little deserved.

To apprehend, as some assume

## SUPREME COURT.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before His Honour, Sir Wm. Goodman,  
Chief Justice.)

Thursday, February 11.

## CLAIM ON A MORTGAGE DEED.

At Young Ki and Tsang King Shing, for \$955.20, being principal and interest due on a mortgage deed.

Mr F. P. Hett (of Mr J. R. Hall, Bruton's office) appeared for the plaintiff, while the defendant was represented by Mr E. A. Bonner (of Messrs Bowley).

Mr Hett said that in 1898 the defendant, who owned land in the neighbourhood, borrowed from plaintiff £1000, and this money was paid to defendant. It was agreed that interest should be paid in kind—in grain, and that seven shillings of grain should be taken to be worth £1. Up to 1899 the interest was paid in grain, and the payment of £5 was made in lieu of grain, and from that period onwards no grain was paid, but money was paid in lieu thereof. Last year, however, only £2 was paid. Defendant set up in defence illegality and want of consideration.

Evidence was then led.

The Chief Justice gave judgment for plaintiff for \$603.20 costs, and directed that the mortgage deed be cancelled.

## THE WATER SUPPLY.

Hon. W. Chatham, Water Authority, sends us the following statement of the water supply:

Level and Storage of Water in Reservoirs on the 1st February 1904.

	1903.	1904.
Tsui Lam, 22 ft. 6 in. below overflow	21 ft. 6 in. below overflow	
Fook Lam, 21 ft. 6 in. below overflow	21 ft. 10 in. below overflow	
Wong Nei Chong, 31 ft. 6 in. below overflow	31 ft. 6 in. below overflow	
STORAGE GALLONS		
Tsui Lam	182,261,000	192,261,000
Fook Lam	182,000,000	182,000,000
Wong Nei Chong	1,320,000	7,382,000
Total	355,584,000	392,603,000

Consumption of Water in the City of Victoria and Hill District during the month of January:

	1903.	1904.
Consumption	7,181,000	8,761,000 gal/m.
Estimated population	317,700	338,100
Consumption per head	10.7	11.7 gallons per day.

Intermittent supply in force during the month of January in both years. Though the quantity in reservoirs is 29 millions less than in 1903, it is 116 millions more than in 1902.

Consumption of Water in Kowloon Peninsula during the month of January:

	1903.	1904.
Consumption	18,245,000	14,481,000 gal/m.
Estimated population	90,000	95,000
Consumption per head	7.1	7.0 gallons per day.

The Government Analyst reports that the water is of excellent quality.

W. CHATHAM, Water Authority.

## BRITISH CONSOLS.

## Banks Writing Down Their Securities.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, January 8.

Two important joint-stock Banks, the London and Westminster and the Union of London and Smiths, have written down their holding of Consols to 85. In each case, the reduction has been debited to reserves, so that shareholders do not suffer in dividend, but the matter is rather serious. Of course it is a spurious advantage for the banks themselves, for when Consols recover, they can make a sham gain by restoring the amount of the sham loss, but meanwhile their example acts to depreciate the credit of the empire—entirely unnecessarily, for though we were hard hit over the Boer War, we are by no means insolvent. Indeed, some of us are going to make a tidy sum over buying Consols for the ris, which will come as soon as the market realises that the country is prosperous after all.

In this connection it is interesting to refer to the Board of Trade returns for 1903, published yesterday. The year has been a record year for phenomenal prosperity in foreign trade. Our imports have been bigger by 144 millions and our exports

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SHANGHAI,	Balkorat, C. P. LONGON, ...	About 13th	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, AMSTERDAM & ANTWERP, P. C. CO., PORT SAID & MARSAILLES	Palermo, E. G. ANDREWS, ...	About 17th	Freight only.
YAMA, VIA SHAI, MOJI & KOBE (passing through the INLAND SEA).	J. S. BACHAM, ...	About 23rd	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWEITT, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, February 8, 1904.

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Glasgow and Liverpool	PAKING	13th February.	
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Glasgow and Liverpool	AGAMEMNON	22nd February.	
Glasgow and Liverpool	MENELAOS	27th February.	
Glasgow and Liverpool	RHEPHETUS	4th March.	
Glasgow and Liverpool	MACAOA	5th March.	
Glasgow and Liverpool	TELEMACHUS	12th March.	

The S.S. PAKING left Singapore on 7th inst. Daylight, and is due here on 13th inst.

## HOMEWARD'S.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON & ANTWERP	KINTUCK	16th February.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	KEEMUN	22nd February.
LONDON & ANTWERP	MOYUNE	1st March.
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	GLAUCUS	16th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	AJAX	20th March.
	PAR LINE	29th March.

\* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via N'KI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	AGAMEMNON	24th February.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, February 8, 1904.

## Shipping.

## HONGKONG—MANILA.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers between Hongkong and Manila.—Saloon and cabin class. Electric Light—Perfect Cuisine—Sturgeon, Salmon and Stewards carried.—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

## CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captains.	For	Sailing Date.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct	Feb. 13, at 10 a.m.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	"	Feb. 20, at 10 a.m.
PERLA	1960	A. H. Notley	"	—

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Shewan, Tomes & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, February 10, 1904.

## Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
STEAMER AUSTRALIEN.

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNNEES of Cargo from LONDON ex a.s. Douro and Sidon; and from HAVEN ex a.s. Sidon; from BOSSAUXT ex a.s. Ville de Marquette in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before 5 p.m. To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining undelivered after Wednesday, the 17th February, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 17th February, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 17th February, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, February 9, 1904.

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## THE PENINSULAR &amp; ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER BORNEO.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 2 p.m. To-day.

Goods not cleared by the 12th Inst. at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by one in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWEITT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, February 6, 1904.

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, HAMBURG AND LONDON.

THE Steamship MERIONESHIRE Captain G. C. CURRY, having arrived at the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed at their risk in the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., at Kowloon and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 11th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th inst. at 2.30 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, February 5, 1904.

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## THE IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

THE Steamship MERCATOR.

Captain BURSTON will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 13th Inst., at Noon.

At BOMBAY the steamer is discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, February 6, 1904.

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## STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THE Steamship CAPRI.

Captain BURSTON will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 13th Inst., at Noon.

At BOMBAY the steamer is discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, February 9, 1904.

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## STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship CATHARINE APOL.

Captain A. STEWART will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 15th Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to D. SASSOON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, February 9, 1904.

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## STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship MALTA.

Captain A. STEWART, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY on SATURDAY, the 13th February, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via BOMBAY with TRANSHIPMENT.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to E. A. HEWEITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, February 2, 1904.

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## REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

(With Liberty to Call at PHILIPPINE PORTS.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

To SAIL, 1904.

MACDUFF ..... About March 1.

For Freight and further information, Apply to DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, February 5, 1904.

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship CATHERINE APOL, having arrived at the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from along-side.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once at Consignee's risk and expense. Cargo remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 11th Instant will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary is given before 11 a.m. To-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after 12th February, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on FRIDAY, the 12th February, at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 17th February, 1904; or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

## AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. AIGAS, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E.C. STREET & CO., 39, Cornhill, GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES, H.W. & CO., 81, Cannon Street, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & CO., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street, W.M. WILLIS, 151, Cannon Street, ROBERT WATSON, 180, Fleet Street, C. MITCHELL & CO., Shrewsbury Hill, Holborn Viaduct, E.C. BILL'S ADVERTISING AGENCY LTD., 167, Fleet Street, E.C.

PARIS AND EUROPE:—MAYERNE, FAVER & CO., 18 Rue de la Grange Bateliere.

NEW YORK.—THE CHINESE EVANGELIST OFFICE, 52, West 22nd Street.

SAN FRANCISCO AND AMERICAN PORTS generally:—BRAUN & BLAUE, San Francisco.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND:—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney.

CYEVON:—W.M. SMITH & CO., THE APOTHECARY CO., Jombo.

BATAVIA:—H.M. VAN DORN & CO.

SINGAPORE STRAITS, &c.:—KELLY &

WAHL LTD., Singapore.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS:—A.S. WARREN & CO., Manila.

CHINA:—AMOY, N. MOALLE & CO., LIMITED, Foochow, BROCKETT & CO., Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WAHL, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WAHL.

## Notices to Consignees.

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship *Bamby*, Capt. MINTON, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 16th inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, February 12, 1904. 284

## FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship *Andalusia*, Capt. G. SCHMIDT, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th February, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, February 8, 1904. 282

## NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP OLYMPIA.

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, February 8, 1904. 284

BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP BENGLOE.

FROM LEITH, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods undelivered after the 12th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 18th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th Inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BILLS OF LADING will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, February 6, 1904. 285

ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE Attention of Advertisers is drawn to the Late Hours for receiving Advertisements and Corrections to Advertisements:—

Alterations and additions to Advertisements on Pages 2, 3, 6 and 7 should be sent to this Office not later than 12 m.

New Advertisements should be sent in before 3 p.m.

BAIN & REID,

CHINA MAIL Office, Dec. 1900.

## INSURANCES.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1902,  
216,738,771.  
Authorized Capital £3,000,000  
Subscribed Capital £2,760,000  
Paid-up Capital £278,500 0 0  
Fire Funds ..... £22,867,110 14 10

HAVING been appointed Agents of the above Company we are prepared to accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMEY & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, June 20, 1903. 1537

## Intimations.

POHOOMULL BROTHERS,  
No. 57 and 59, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
HONGKONG.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS.

HAVE just received a large Stock Suitable for Christmas and New Year's Presents of Indian, Chinese and Japanese SILKS and GOODS made thereof suitable for Ladies and Gentlemen; Cashmere Shawls; Oriental and Egyptian embroideries; Rugs; Persian and Indian Carpets; Jewelry; Maltese Lace Articles; Glass Cloth Embroidered Goods; Old Embroidered Chinese Costumes.

Quality will speak for itself. Very moderate Prices.

Hongkong, November 3, 1903. 721

## CARMICHAEL AND CLARKE.

CONSULTING ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS, SURVEYORS AND CONTRACTORS, REPAIRED PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO.

TELEGRAMS:—"CARMICHAEL," HONGKONG, A.B.C. Code, 4th Edition. A.1 Code. Lieber's Standard Code. TELEPHONE, 232. Hongkong, March 14, 1903. 663

## K WONG WO,

COAL MERCHANTS,  
NO. 17, OHIU LOONG STREET  
(NEAR MESSRS. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.)  
HONGKONG,  
CHINA.

Hongkong, August 14, 1903. 1264

MARTIN'S  
CAPIOL & STEEL  
For Ladies' PILLS

A French Remedy for all Irritations, Troubles and Diseases of the Stomach & Bowels. It is particularly of service to those who are subject to Attacks of Indigestion, &c. It is a safe and reliable Remedy.

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BAIN & REID,

CHINA MAIL Office, Dec. 1900.

## Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.  
AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ..... £1,000,000.  
PAID UP CAPITAL ..... £32,374.  
HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.  
Board of Directors:  
CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq. | G. FOKE, Esq.  
CHEASY EVENS, Esq. | G. C. MOXON, Esq.  
Chief Manager: GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.  
Interest for 12 months ..... 5%.  
Hongkong, February 5, 1904. 117

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2% per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4%.

" " 6 " 3 1/2 %.

" " 12 " 5%.

E. W. RUTTER, Manager.

Hongkong, August 13, 1903. 1970

THE IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.  
ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE ON THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, ... £1,000,000  
PAID UP CAPITAL, ... £2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.  
BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:  
CANTON, PEKING, SINGAPORE,  
HANKOW, TIENTSIN.

## VISITORS AT HOTELS.

HONGKONG HOTEL.	
Mr. Asgaard	Mr. A. R. Lewis
Mr. Anderson	Mr. J. H. Lewis
Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Mir	Mrs. J. H. Ballon
Mr. H. Barrett	Lynnman
Mr. G. S. V. Bidwell	Mr. R. J. Maugowin
Mr. Gordon Mackie	Mr. T. M. Mojt
Mr. and Mrs. W. M. A. Mackie	Black
Mr. D. O. Marriott	Dr. O. Marriott
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Mr. W. S. Brown	Mr. Sidney Mast
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Mr. L. M. Cardot	Mr. P. L. Miller
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Mr. and Mrs. H. N. B. K. Muller	Cook
Mr. C. H. Coulson	Mr. and Mrs. E. O.
Mr. A. R. Cowden	Murphy
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Mr. J. T. Davies	Mr. G. Osborn
Mr. F. B. Deacon	Mr. W. Parritt
Mr. G. Dean	Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Parker
Mr. J. H. Derbyshire	Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Mr. and Mrs. Douglas	Pattie
Mr. W. A. Dowley	Mr. E. Pauling
Mr. J. C. Downing	Mr. L. Peck
Mr. A. Dowson	Mr. N. Peplow
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Mr. H. G. Fisher	Potecan
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Mr. D. Jeffs	Mr. and Mrs. G. A. and Mrs. Joseph, Watkins
N. S.	Mrs. A. M. Whittom
Mr. E. A. Katsch	Capt. J. C. A. Wilkin
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Miss M. Kirkwood	Mr. F. Wissbrun
Mr. F. Kutta	Mr. Philip Wolff
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Miss Larne	Woolmer
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Mr. H. G. Leopold	

## HUMAN SKIN FOR SALE.

EXTRAORDINARY TRAFFIC.  
FROM time to time instances occur in which living men and women sell a portion of their skin. Advertisements, offering to purchase Human Skin, have even appeared in the papers!

Where there have been extensive burns, it is often impossible for doctors to make the skin grow again except by grafting upon the injured surface pieces of new, healthy skin, skilfully cut from other persons, and where no volunteers are found it is necessary to buy from some one a few square inches of skin. Hence the advertisements. There was recently in the Scotch newspapers the history of a boy who would probably have been glad to sell a part of his skin had he been old enough, and could he have been assured that he would receive healthy skin in exchange. This boy, who is six years old, suffered from the most revolting kind of moist eczema, a most torturing and disfiguring disease. Dr. Williams' pink pills for people cured him. His mother, Mrs. Kerr, 20, Scotshill-road, Paisley Scotland, said: "He was practically covered from the age of three months until a few weeks ago. While a boy he was attacked with bronchitis. This disappeared in time, but in its place came the terrible, torturing, itching



## POST OFFICE NOTICES.

## Mails will close:-

FOR BANGKOK.—  
Per Kohchang at 9 a.m., on Friday, the 12th February.

Per Tsatin at 9 a.m., on Friday, the 12th February.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—  
Per Suwing at 1 p.m., on Friday, the 12th February.

For THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK-TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.—  
Per Tsatin at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 12th February.

For HAIPHONG.—  
Per Carl Diederichsen, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the 12th February.

For MANILA, at 9 a.m., on Saturday, the 13th January.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY.—  
Per Capt. at 10 a.m., on Saturday, the 13th February.

For MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA.—  
Per Olympia at 10 a.m., on Saturday, the 13th February.

For MANILA.—  
Per Loango at 3 p.m., on Saturday, the 13th February.

disease, eczema. The sores came on the breast, then extended to the back of the neck, next to the roots of the hair, afterwards to the face, and finally to the wrists and legs. The child grew, but, oh, what a sight he was! The torture the bairn endured! When he got to an age to use his hands he scratched at himself, and so helped to spread the trouble.

We had six different doctors for him. You cannot realise what a trying time it was for me nursing him. I had to rub his hands in order to prevent him from rubbing the sore parts. He lost his eyebrows and eyelashes, and we were just beginning to give up hope when Dr. Williams' pink pills were brought to our notice, and we decided to try them. Before the first bottle was finished the irritation on the breast, neck, face, arms and back of legs had considerably diminished. By the time Hugh had taken the contents of the second bottle the sores were darkening, drying, and contracting, and when he was half through the third bottle the eczema was gone. Hugh is now a strong and healthy child."

What was the cause of Hugh Kerr's trouble? Undoubtedly the blood. Poor or bad blood is the cause of nearly all the ills of life. Dr. Williams' pink pills are able to cure so many different diseases because they make new and pure blood: nothing else. This is the innocent secret of their marvellous cures. Acting on the blood, and on the nerves through the blood, they are the greatest tonic and curative ever discovered; they have cured consumption, bronchitis, eczema, fits, gout, heart disease, rheumatism, scrofula, paralysis, and the ailments which woman suffer in silence. It is the genuine pills, not substitutes (which some shopmen push), that cure. Greatest of safeguards against cheap imitations. It is important to get Dr. Williams—not any other kind of pink pills, resembling the genuine only in colour—not any substitute. Say "Dr. Williams" loudly and clearly when you ask for them, and don't be talked into buying substitutes. Shopkeepers don't offer substitutes for your medical substitutes never care! always. Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Holborn Viaduct, London, will send the pills for two shillings and nine-pence (six boxes thirteen, and nine), if there is any difficulty in obtaining them. Hugh Kerr would have been suffering still if his mother had given substitutes! Nothing else is so good for the skin. You want to have a good skin yourself. It is not everyone who offers his skin for sale!

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

February 11.  
Inaba Maru, Japanese str., 3,887, Wm. Bainbridge, London Jan. 3, and Singapore Feb. 5, General.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

Indrapura, British steamer, 3,031, Horne, Portland, Or., January 1, and Moji Feb. 4, General and Flour.—PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

Tainan, British str., 1,460, Chas. Lindberg, Kutchinotzu February 8, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

Longmoor, German steamer, 1,245, Schulz, Shanghai February 7, General.

Mr. Hart Buck, Mr. and Mrs. E. Maikle

Black, Dr. O. Marriott

Mr. and Mrs. R. Boggs Mr. and Mrs. J. R.

Mr. E. A. Bonner Martin

Mr. R. W. Borthwick and Mrs. E. Maste

Mr. W. S. Brown Mr. Sidney Mast

Mr. F. B. Deacon Mr. and Mrs. E. Maikle

Mr. G. Dean Parker

Mr. J. H. Derbyshire Mr. and Mrs. J. A.

Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Prins Valdemar, Danish str., 3,014, L. Koch, Moji Feb. 6, General.—M. L. CO.

Charles Astor, French str., 1,000, Horne, Portland, Or., from Canton.

Progress, German str., 687, F. Brenner, Touren Feb. 8, and Hoiho 10, General.—SIEZEMAN & CO.

Tijpanas, Dutch str., 3,847, O. Zwart, Yokohama Jan. 27, Arrived Feb. 9, General.—HONGKONG TRADING CO.

Loongang, British str., 1,090, G. S. Weigall, Manila February 8, General.

Prins Valdemar, Danish str., 3,014, L. Koch, Moji Feb. 6, General.—M. L. CO.

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